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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, delete the whole paragraph starting at line 19 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

B1
For example, JP-B-53-43794 discloses a labeling machine for attaching labels onto bottles or the like. The labeling machine includes a labeling mechanism constituted by suction drums for suctioning labels from a label holder and an attaching drum for suctioning labels and pressing the labels onto a side surface of bottles or the like. In the labeling machine, the suction drums are disposed apart from the attaching drum, each of the suction drums being provided with a receiving frame for receiving a label on the attaching drum side and in a position along the traveling direction of the attaching drum, and further provided with a member for pressing the label in the receiving frame onto the side surface of the attaching drum.

Page 3, delete the whole paragraph starting at line 5 and replace it with the following new paragraph:

B2
For example, the method disclosed in JP-B-53-43794 discloses a method for attaching a label onto a substantially cylindrical portion of a bottle, a can or the like, in which a label is suctioned onto a suction drum so as to be delivered to an attaching drum, and paste is applied

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